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SUBJECT: PROPOSAL FOR MEDICAL EXCHANGES

AM SORRY TO BE LATE WITH THIS SUGGESTION. LAST NIGHT DR. JOHN KNOWLES, PRESIDENT OF THE ROCKEFELLER FOUNDATION, AND I WERE TALKING WITH DR. GEORGE HATEM (MA HAI-TEH) ABOUT MEDICAL EXCHANGES. KNOWLES, WITH HATEM CONCURING, BOTH AGREE THAT ONE GOOD AREA FOR FURTHER EXCHANGES IS IN MEDICINE AND HEALTH SERVICES. HEREWITH A QUOTE FROM A LETTER KNOWLES HANDED ME TODAY AS THE DELEGATION LEFT FOR HARBIN:

QTE: WE IN THE US HAVE MUCH TO LEARN FROM CHINESE MEDICINE, ACUPUNCTURE AND THE USE OF HERBS WHILE OUR CHINESE FRIENDS CAN LEARN FROM WESTERN SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY IN MEDICINE INCLUDING NUTRITION AND ITS RELATION TO AGRICULTURE. THE PHYSIOLOGY, BIOLOGY AND PSYCHOLOGY OF HERBS IN MEDICAL THERAPY ARE SOMETHING US SCIENTISTS CAN LEARN FROM AND BRING SCIENTIFIC METHODS TO. THERE HAS BEEN LESS INTEREST HERE THAN IN ACUPUNCTURE BUT IT IS EquALLY IMPORTANT. UNQTE. KNOWLES ADDS THAT THE ROCKEFELLER FOUNDATION, IF WANTED, COULD HELP IN THE FINANCING OF SUCH EXCHANGES.

2. WHEN DR. C.P. LI WAS HERE HE STRONGLY RECOMMENDED SUCH AN EXCHANGE FEELING THAT THERE HAS BEEN UNWARRANTED PREJUDICE IN THE US AGAINST HERBAL MEDICINE AND THAT SUCH AN OFFER ON OUR PART WOULD BE WELL RECEIVED BY THE PRC SIDE.
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IT WOULD SHOWTHAT WE TAKE THEIR MEDICINE SERIOUSLY AND

INDEED THE EXCHANGE WOULD BE A REAL TWO-WAY STREET.

3. IT SEEMS TO ME BY DEVOTING HIGH LEVEL EXCHANGE TO
BETTER UNDERSTANDING OF THEIR NATURAL MEDICINE WE FURTHER
OUR OWN UNDERSTANDING AND WE HELP LAY TO REST ONE MORE
PREJUDICE FROM THE PAST.

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